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Applicant(s): Tadaaki SAIDA et al

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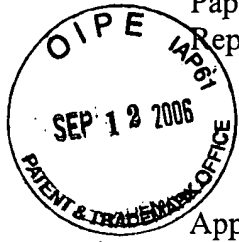
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action of July 13, 2006, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the **Listing Of Claims** which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 11 of this paper.